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House Meets At	Last Vote Predicted At
10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Ten "One Minutes" per side	

*** NOTE THAT TOMORROW WE EXPECT IMPORTANT VOTES ON THE REPUBLICAN COMP TIME BILL. ATTENDANCE IS CRITICAL. PLEASE NOTIFY THE DEMOCRATIC WHIP'S FLOOR STAFF IF YOU PLAN TO BE ABSENT.

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND PROCEDURE

The House will convene at 10:00 a.m. for legislative business.

Suspensions (4 bills):

- 1) H.Con.Res. 177 Recognizing and commending the members of the United States Armed Forces and their leaders, and the allies of the United States and their armed forces, who participated in Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq and recognizing the continuing dedication of military families and employers and defense civilians and contractors and the countless communities and patriotic organizations that lent their support to the Armed Forces during those operations (Hunter Armed Services).
- **2) H.Res. 201** Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that our Nation's businesses and business owners should be commended for their support of our troops and their families as they serve our country in many ways, especially in these days of increased engagement of our military in strategic locations around our Nation and around the world (Rogers {MI} Energy & Commerce)
- 3) H.R. 361 Sports Agent Responsibility and Trust Act (Gordon Energy & Commerce)
- 4) H.R. 1954 Armed Forces Naturalization Act of 2003 (Sensenbrenner Judiciary)

H.R. 760 - Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003 (Chabot - Judiciary) (Subject to a Rule)

BILL SUMMARY AND KEY ISSUES

H.R. 760 - Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003 *(Chabot - Judiciary) (Subject to a Rule).* This bill would make it a federal crime to perform a "partial birth abortion," unless it is necessary to save the life of the mother. This bill does not include an exception that the procedure may be performed to preserve the health of the mother. The Rules Committee has recommended a modified closed rule that provides one hour of general debate; waives all points of order against consideration of the bill; and provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Rule also makes in order the Greenwood/Hoyer/Nancy Johnson amendment in the nature of a substitute, which is debatable for one hour. The substitute makes it unlawful to knowingly perform an abortion after the fetus has become viable, unless, in the medical judgment of the attending physician, it is necessary to preserve the life of the woman or to avert serious adverse health consequences to her.

REMINDER

➤ The Republican Leadership has announced that the voting time on 15-minute recorded votes will be strictly enforced.

Daily Quote...

"This [tax] bill reflects an extraordinary, even radical shift of the tax burden from the rich to the middle class."

- Michael Kinsley, TIME, June 2, 2003